

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY **REGION III** 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

Mr. Lee A. McDonnell, P.E., Director Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Point & Non-Point Management Rachel Carson State Office Building 400 Market Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

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Dear Mr. McDonnell:

On December 23, 2014, Telford Borough Authority (Telford) submitted a second request to The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for reconsideration and withdrawal of the Nutrient Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for the Indian Creek Watershed, Pennsylvania established by EPA on June 30, 2008. Telford submitted questions, comments, literature citations and a "Technical Report -Indian Creek Watershed Periphyton Density and Phosphorous Concentration Survey" completed by Kleinfelder, Inc. EPA considered the additional information and comments provided by Telford on the Indian Creek nutrient TMDL and reviewed the TMDL in light of that information. EPA determined that the Indian Creek nutrient TMDL is based on sound science and reflects Agency policy for establishment of nutrient TMDLs. EPA has not been presented with or reviewed any post-TMDL site-specific monitoring data or other evidence that would indicate that the waters are not impaired by excessive nutrients. EPA therefore denies Telford's request to withdraw the nutrient TMDL. For more information regarding this decision, please see the enclosed Second Reconsideration Decision and Rationale - Nutrient Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for the Indian Creek Watershed, Pennsylvania which will also be published on EPA's website.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me or contact Evelyn MacKnight at 215-814-5717.

Sincerely,

Jon M. Capacasa, Director

Water Protection Division

Enclosures

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